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FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

FOR THE
HOLIDAYS!
TO THE LADIES.

DIRECT FROM PARIS BY EXPRESS.
RECEIVED EX PACIFIC,
An invoice of fine
SILKS AND RIBBONS,
Which I will sell by the
PIECE OR YARD,
AT GREATLY REDUCED RATES.
The goods are of the very
Latest Style and Pattern,
And are the
FINEST EVER IMPORTED
To this market. Call and see for yourselves.
J. RUEFF.
Wharf street, pposite Southgate & Co.s'
de12 1m

For the Holidays!
MORRIS & MONET,
FRUITERERS
Opposite Mr Harris' Brick Building,
GOVERNMENT STREET
Offer for Sale to Families and Hotels:
50 Island Turkeys;
25 dozen Chickens;
Ducks and Geese;
Island and Oregon Eggs.
—ALSO—
FRESH BUTTER, CITRON, CURRANTS, RAISINS AND LEMON PEEL.
de17 1m

FOR THE
HOLIDAYS.
Gold & Silver Watches,
Ladies' Enamelled Watches, Diamonds, Bracelets, Rings, Lockets, Brooches, Ear-Rings, Gold Studs, Sleeve-Buttons, Quartz Jewelry, Gold-Chains, Ladies' Neck-Chains and Charms, Pencils, Silver Card-Cases, A fine assortment for
HOLIDAY PRESENTS.
At E. MARKS'
Yates street, next door to Hibben & Carswell
no29 1m

Christmas Gifts.
JUST RECEIVED,
EX BARK "SCOTLAND,"
A beautiful assortment of
CHILDREN'S TOYS,
Of all descriptions, amongst which is an Invoice of
MAGNIFICENT
Toy China Sets.
Call and examine them at
H. COHEN'S,
Yates street.
de20 tja1

E. H. VAENBERG,
Practical Watchmaker and Jeweler,
YATES STREET,
Opposite the Bank of British North America

HAVING ENGAGED THE SERVICES OF R. CRUMBERG, a practical Chronometer and Watchmaker and Jeweler, I am now prepared to repair all articles in my line in superior style and at moderate charges.

A large stock of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Gold and Silver Watches, set with diamonds. Pins, Ear-rings, and Jewelry of every description always on hand.

Silver-Plated Ware,
Such as knives and forks, tea and table-spoons. Solid silver goblets, knives and forks, &c.
de23 1m E. H. VAENBERG

For Sale,
The schr. "Nanaimo Packet,"
23 TONS REGISTER, WITH BOAT, Anchors, Tackle and Apparel all complete and read for sea. This vessel is in perfect order, having been thoroughly overhauled in June last. She will be sold low and on easy terms to responsible parties.
EDGAR & AIME.
de18 1mis Wharf street, near Yates.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

HOT
SPICED WINES AND RUSKS,
AT THE
STAR AND GARTER HOTEL,
Government Street.

ENGLISH ALE,
AT THE
STAR AND GARTER HOTEL.

FOR THE
HOLIDAYS!
EX RETRIEVER.

FAMILIES CAN DEPEND ON HAVING the following articles:

JULES ROBINS' BRANDY,
In 1 dozen cases.
PORT WINE,
In 1 dozen cases.
SHERRY WINE,
In 1 dozen cases.
CAMPBELL'S SCOTCH WHISKY.
ENGLISH ALE,
In 1 dozen cases.
ENGLISH PORTER,
In 1 dozen cases.

BEDS,
AT THE STAR AND GARTER HOTEL.
no28 1m

Christmas and New Year's.
Santa Claus is Coming!
FRENCH CONFECTIONERY,
TOYS,
AND FRUIT,
Direct from Paris by Express.

MADAME SANDRIE BEGS TO INFORM the public that she has just received, direct from Paris, a large assortment of
French Confectionery of all kinds
FOR THE HOLIDAYS,
Consisting of cartoons of Sucre de Pomme de Rouen; Fancy Baskets, Candy Pouches,
Wooden and Papier Mache Boxes,
Corbeilles Garnies, Statuettes,
Pouches of Candy with Rosettes of lace, Artificial Flowers and Fruit, and an assortment of
Elegant French Toys.
MME SANDRIE.
Cor. Trounce Alley and Government street.
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MRS. JEFFRAY
Has just Received at her Store on
GOVERNMENT STREET,
A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF
Brussels Carpeting.
—ALSO—
AN INVOICE OF
OSTRICH FEATHERS,
ALL COLORS
With a well selected Stock of other Goods,
By Recent Arrivals from England
Which she will sell at
GREATLY REDUCED RATES.
de18 1w

CHRISTMAS
AND
NEW YEAR'S
PRESENTS,
Can be found at
HIBBEN & CARSWELL'S
A large assortment of
Miscellaneous & Elegant Books,
WRITING DESKS, PORTFOLIOS, ALBUMS,
And a variety of Fancy Articles appropriate for the Holidays
de13 2w STATIONERS' HALL.

VICTORIA
Coal and Lumber Co.,
CITY WHARF, FOOT OF YATES ST.,
Keep constantly on hand
WOOD AND COAL
BEST QUALITY OF NANAIMO COAL, screened, free fro a dust, which will be delivered free of drayage and porterage in any part of the Town, and in quantities to suit, at REDUCED RATES.
—ALSO—
LUMBER, of every description,
BUILDING STONE, BRICK, LIME, ETC.
Cheap for Cash. de1 1m2dp

MISCELLANEOUS.

E. STAMP & CO.,
INVITE THE ATTENTION OF PURCHASERS
To the following Goods, received
EX "RETRIEVER:"

ALE, ALLSOPP'S E. I. PALE — Bottled by Friend, quarts and pints.
ALLSOPP'S, in hhds.
BASS' NO. 3 BURTON ALE, in hhds and bbls.
BASS' do. Bottled, to arrive.
BYASS' PALE, in cases, quarts and pints.
PORTER, BYASS' in cases, quarts, and pint.
BARCLAY'S STOUT, in casks, quarts, and pints.
SHERRY and PORT, Ex "Anna Krell," "Kaffir Chief," and "True Briton" of all qualities, in casks and cases.
CLARET, SUPERB CHATEAU LA ROSE, in cases.
CHAMPAGNE, JACQUESSON & FILS, q'rts and pints, at $12 50.
GIN, SWAYNE'S OLD TOM, in hhds. and cases.
RUM, DEMERARA, 30 over proof, in hhds.
BRANDY, in 1 doz. cases.
RIFLES, a few very superior Breech-loading Garibaldi's, complete with all necessary accoutrements.
MUSKETS, for Indian trade, 3 and 3½ feet barrels.
POWDER, BLASTING, glazed and black.
SOAP, Pure Yellow, in 18-lb. boxes.
ENGINES, PORTABLE AND STATIONARY, 12 and 15 H. P., will be sold very cheap.
E. STAMP & CO.
de23 tf Wharf street.

Ex "Prince of the Seas."
AND OTHER LATE ARRIVALS.
HENRY NATHAN,
OFFERS FOR SALE
BLANKETS, 2 1-2 & 3 points.

CLOTHING—Velvet coats, fine black cloth frock coats, doeskin, cheviot and flannel suits, ribbed doeskin pants, tweed coats and pants, shooting coats, reefing jackets, Milton coats, &c., heavy sealskin, cloth and tweed overshirts, felt, oilskin hats, loth caps, &c., black mauve and fancy silk jackets, woolen neckties and comforters.
UMBRELLAS—Various qualities and descriptions.
PLATED WARE—Soup and sauce ladles, table and dessert forks and spoons, tea, mustard and salt spoons, &c.
WHITELEAD—28-lb and 56 lb tins.
DRAPERY—Ladies' fancy dresses, linseys, plaids, prints, ginghams, black silks alpacas, coburgs, skirts, flannels, stays, gray and white sheeting, co ton ticks &c
Wine and Beer Corks, Chamois Skins, Tents, Bright Varnish, &c., &c.
OILMAN'S STORES—Pickles, pints and qrts, various brands, Worcestershire and other sauces, mustard, American and English pie fruits, oysters, biscuits, etc.
Sheet Lead, Lead Pipes, Charcoal Tin Plates, &c.
BRANDY—Martell's in bulk, rum, gin, whisky, juniper cordial, port, sherry, and liqueurs of various kinds.
HENRY NATHAN,
de22 tf No 9 Wharf street,

W. CULVERWELL,
General Agency for the Collection of Rents and Debts,
INTELLIGENCE OFFICE,
Money Loaned on Good Security,
ADVANCES MADE ON LIVE STOCK,
Book-keeping, Documents Copied, Etc.
In cases requiring a Power of Attorney, security will be furnished. Office, up stairs, cor. Yates and Langley streets, Victoria. de21 1m

Ex Prince of the Seas.
HAMS—Sinclair's, Belfast;
BACON—Do. do;
CHEESE—Cheshire, Cheddar and Wilts;
BUTTER—Gould's double rose, Cork;
CANDLES—Price's (Belmont) Sperm;
TEA—Congou, Souchong, Etc;
ORLEANS, COBURGS, Etc.
For sale by
CARSWELL & CO.,
de13 Langley street.

HOME PRODUCTIONS.
Balmoral Nursery, Salt Spring Island.
THE PROPRIETORS OF THE BALMORAL Nursery beg respectfully to inform the public that they are prepared to supply a choice assortment of
FRUIT TREES AND SHRUBS,
Consisting of the best cultivated varieties of Apples, Pears, Plums, Cherries; also, Gooseberries, Lawton Blackberries, Strawberries, Currants, etc.
Samples can be seen at Messrs Stewart, Meldrum & Co's, Victoria, or at Mr. Armstrong's, New Westminster, who will execute orders. de22 1m

Ex "Retriever," from London
BRANDY—Hennessy's Pale, in ¼ casks;
Martell's " "
RUM—Finest Jamaica, in ¼ casks;
WHISKY—Scotch and Irish, in bulk;
WHISKY—In case, Highland, Malt, and Islay;
OLD TOM—In bulk and bottle, Swaine, Boord & Co's;
ORANGE BITTERS—In 1 doz cases, Swaine, Boord & Co's;
ALE AND PORTER—Various well-known brands, in bulk and bottle.
For sale by
DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO.,
no22 1m Wharf street.

Ex "Retriever," from London.
5 CASES SUPERIOR CHEDDAR CHEESE.
For sale by
DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO.,
no22 Wharf street.

FOR SALE—TO LET.

TO LOAN.
$1500, $700, $600, $500, $400, AND small sums to suit.
Apply to
W. CULVERWELL,
General Agency,
de21 2w Cor. Langley and Yates streets.

FOR LEASE,
FOR A TERM OF YEARS,
A LOT ON JOHNSON STREET, NEXT the new Brewery. Also, a Lot on Kane street.
Apply to
W. CULVERWELL,
General Agency,
de21 2w Cor. Langley and Yates streets.

TO LET,
ONE OF THE BEST DWELLING Houses in Victoria, at a reasonable rent.
Apply to
W. CULVERWELL,
General Agency,
de21 2w Cor Langley and Yates streets.

TO LET.
A COTTAGE CONSISTING OF four rooms and a kitchen, hard finished, and pleasantly situated. For particulars inquire at
L. LOWENBERG,
Real Estate Agent,
No 36 Government st., bet. Broughton and Fort.
de16

Moore's Music Hall
TO LET.
SIZE, 26 BY 75 FEET, WITH TWO dressing rooms, each 12 by 12 feet, attached, is now well fitted up with stage, scenery, seats, &c; is admirably located, and WELL ADAPTED for a first-class BILLIARD ROOM.
Apply to
N. MOORE & CO.,
de13 1m Yates street.

FOR SALE,
THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE PROPERTY:

1ST. LOT OF GROUND 38x120 FEET, Southeast corner of Fort and Douglas streets, with a substantial 2-story Brick Building and four Wooden Cottages; 120 feet frontage on Douglas street.

2d. Lot 403, northeast corner Fort and Douglas streets, 60x130, with two handsome Cottages; 120 ft frontage on Douglas street.

3d. Lot southeast corner of View and Douglas, No. 410, with one good sized Cottage; 120 feet frontage on Douglas.

The property brings a good income and is worthy the attention of capitalists or parties wishing to invest, having a frontage of 360 feet on Douglas street, and being almost all covered by improvements and near the centre of actual business, promising therefore, a good investment to the purchaser.

4th. Lot of ground 55x90 feet on Broughton street, between the Gymnasium and the Victoria Market.

5th. Lot No 226, corner of Humboldt and Gordon streets, with improvements, near Government street.

6th. Lot No. 1081 on View streets.

7th. Lease for 20 years of Lots 426 and 427 with some improvements, most port bulit upon, corner of Yates and Dougla, with a frontage of 120 feet on both streets, yielding already $50 per month more than the ground rent.

TERMS:
25 per cent. Cash; balance at two years or before, with interest at one per cent. per month.
Mules or horses taken in part payment.
For particulars apply to the owner,
C. VERYDHEN,
Corner of Fort and Douglas streets.
Or to J. B. TIMMERMAN,
Real Estate Agent, 83 Government street
no26 1m d&w

NOW LANDING,
Ex "Prince of the Seas."
FROM LONDON,
ENGLISH DRUGS.
ENGLISH CHEMICALS.
FARINA'S EAU DE COLOGUE (genuine), &c., &c.
Also, from the well-known manufactory of Messrs Blundell, Spence & Co.,
ENGLISH BOILED OIL,
ENGLISH WHITELEAD,
Of fine quality.
Also, received
BY EXPRESS FROM LONDON.
An elegant selection of
Silver-Mounted Smelling Bottles,
W. M. SEARBY,
Importing Druggist,
de12 Government street.

Ex Prince of the Seas,
FROM LONDON.
Just Received, and for Sale:
PILOT JACKETS,
OIL PAINTINGS,
BANDANNAS,
FANCY SHELLS,
FLANNELS,
BEADS.
de11 MARTIN BROS., No 9, Wharf street.

Removal.
HENRY WALTON HAS REMOVED his Agency Office from Pidwell's Brick Building to Commercial street, next to A. Fellow's Hardware store, Yates street.
RENTS AND DEBTS collected. BOOKS and Accounts Adjusted.
MONEY TO LOAN in sums to suit.
de2 1m

JEFFRAY'S
EXPRESS.
AS HERETOFORE, THE OFFICE will be at Mr. Jeffray's, Government street, till further notice. Letters may be dropped as usual into the letter box at Mr Herre's store, Yates street.
F. J. BARNARD.
Victoria, Dec. 9. de9 tf

EDGAR DEWDNEY,
Auctioneer, Surveyor, Architect, and Land Agent,
COLUMBIA STREET,
NEW WESTMINSTER.
☞ Orders promptly attended to au17 6m

CHAS. F. ROBBINS,
IMPORTER AND DEALER IN TYPE, Presses, Printing Material, Inks, Card stock, &c. Nos. 111 and 113 Clay street San Francisco. fe20 1y

NOTICES.

NOTICE.
WILLIAM JEFFRAY HAS TAKEN an Office on Wharf street, in the Store lately occupied by Messrs Gladwin, Tarbell & Co., as a BROKER, COMMISSION AND FORWARDING AGENT. From his long experience in purchasing for the Up-Country Trade, he trusts by strict attention to the business entrusted to his care, to merit public support. de23 1m

NOTICE.
THE FIRM OF SOLOMON & ROSENBERG has been dissolved this day, by mutual consent. All parties indebted to the late firm will please pay the amount of their indebtedness to Nathan Solomon, who is alone authorized to collect the same.
NATHAN SOLOMON.
LEWIS ROSENBERG.
Victoria, Dec. 21, 1861. de21 1w

A GERMAN GENTLEMAN JUST ARRIVED, wants to teach the Pianoforte. Persons desirous to learn will please leave their address at the office of
LD. LOEWENBERG,
de20 1m* No 36 Government street.

$20 REWARD.
A BLACK POCKET BOOK LOST IN Victoria on Thursday last. It contained a promissory note for nearly $1000, dated in October, 1861, made by Rose & Peterson, of Lillooet, in my favor and payable on demand. Also, a note for $400 made by A S Pease in my favor. Also, a note for nearly $200 made by —— New elder of Cayoosh, in my favor. There were also some other valuable papers in the pocket-book. The payment of the above notes is forbid, except paid to my order.
The above reward will be paid by the subscriber to any person for the recovery of the pocket-book.
J. L. TILLMAN.
Victoria, Dec10 2w* Ringo's Hotel.

Bark "Prince of the Seas."
NEITHER THE CAPTAIN NOR THE undersigned will be answerable for any debts contracted by the crew of the above vessel.
HENDERSON & BURNABY,
Wharf street.
Victoria, December 16, 1861. de18

NOTICE.
I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT from and after this date I shall not be responsible for any debts which may be contracted by any of my children.
ISABELLA ROSS.
Victoria Dec. 13, 1861. de14 1m*

Information Wanted
OF EDWARD A. BERRY, WHO WAS in the butchering bussiness in this place about three years since. Any information of his whereabouts, will be thankfully received by addressing his friends F. H. Todd, Calais, Maine, or to J. W. Benson, Victoria, V. I. de10 2w

Bark Prince of the Seas, from London.
CONSIGNEES BY THE ABOVE VESSEL are hereby notified that she will discharge at Union Wharf, and are requested to call and pay freight to the undersigned, and receive orders for their goods.
All goods left on the wharf after 4 o'clock, P. M., will be stored at owner's expense and risk.
HENDERSON & BURNABY,
Wharf street.
Victoria, V. I., 12th December, 1861. de13

NOTICE.
THE SUBSCRIPTION LISTS FOR THE Fund now being raised in support of the Union are still open, and loyal Americans wishing to subscribe to the cause, may do so by calling on either of the undersigned.
J. A. McCREA,
Wharf street.
J. L. SMITH,
At Wells, Fargo & Co
J. F. HAWKS
de9 3w At Hibben & Carswell's.

WANTED.
RAILS SPLIT BY CONTRACT. Apply at the office of
LD LOWENBERG,
de9 tf Government street, south of Fort.

NOTICE.
I HAVE THIS DAY SOLD TO MR. F. J. Barnard all my interest in the business of "Jeffray's Fraser River Express," and solicit for Mr. Barnard a continuance of the favors extended to me.
WILLIAM JEFFRAY.
December 1st, 1861.

HAVING PURCHASED MR. JEFFRAY'S "Fraser River Express," I will continue the business thereunto connected under the name of "Jeffray's Express," and solicit a share of the express business so cordially extended to Mr. Jeffray. Every effort will be made by me to give satisfaction to those who may entrust their business to my care. Immediately on the arrival of the steamer at Yale a messenger will be dispatched to Boston Bar and Lytton.
de6 F. J. BARNARD.

BRODRICK'S
COAL DEPOT,
ST. OURS' WHARF, Adjoining Post Office.
Families and Offices supplied with a
Superior Quality of Dry Screened Coal,
DELIVERED FREE OF CHARGE.
R. BRODRICK HAVING REPLENISHED his stock by purchases at Nanaimo of lots selected by himself personally at No 3 Shaft, can guarantee to families the very best quality for domestic purposes. de2

Hay, Grain and Produce.
R. BRODRICK HAS ON HAND A well selected Stock of Feed, including
Choice cargo of TIMOTHY HAY, ex General Harney:
CALIFORNIA HAY, ex E W Seyburn, of superior quality;
CALIFORNIA OATS,
WHEAT,
BARLEY,
BRAN,
At moderate prices, wholesale and retail.
de18 7t

THE NORTHERN
ASSURANCE COMPANY,
(ESTABLISHED 1836,)
For Fire and Life Assurance
AT HOME AND ABROAD
CAPITAL £1,259,760 STERLING.
The undersigned have been appointed Agents for Victoria.
JANION & GREEN,
Victoria, August, 1860. au21 6m

Blankets, Blankets, Blankets
THE UNDERSIGNED, AGENTS FOR several of the Yorkshire manufacturers, are constantly receiving shipments of Blankets, especially manufactured for this market, and have now a large stock of the same on hand, of
Colors, Weights, Qualities and Sizes,
Which they offer for sale.
ju19 6m JANION & GREEN

FOR SALE,
640 GALLONS CAMPHENE, IN BOND.
WILLIAM H WOODCOCK
New Westminster, Sept. 26th, 1861.

THE BRITISH COLONIST

TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements, unless the time for which they are to be inserted is specified, will be continued until ordered out, and so charged.

Friday Morning, Dec. 27, 1861.

Registration of Voters.

We have before called public attention to the fact that the law requires the Sheriff to open a list for the registration of all duly qualified voters on the first of January, and keep the list open for fourteen days. Lest the country districts may not have full notice, owing to their distance from the town and for fear towns-folk may forget the notice till it is too late, we call attention to the fact again. In five days hence the list will be opened; and it becomes all who wish to inaugurate a better state of things in the country—by the election of better men to the Assembly than now fill the Government benches—to pay particular attention to the registration of their votes. The importance of registration is more apparent when we state that our parliament is a triennial one, that is, elected every three years. The writ summoning the election of the present Assembly was issued in December, 1859, and the three years will of course end in December 1862—next year. Consequently if the legislature is not dissolved before next December, it will cease then by act of limitation; and a new election in either case will have to take place. As no registration can take place after the 14th January next ensuing, the character of the next Assembly will depend entirely upon the votes registered at that time. In an Assembly such as ours, where it is numerically small, one member is as important to the Government or Opposition as fifty in the House of Commons. It becomes then necessary that the electors should be fifty times more vigilant here than in the United Kingdom in recording their votes so that no man shall be returned who does not fully and fairly represent the country, nor who is not a thorough Reformer. It is the votes of the electors, intelligently and wisely cast for good men and true, that will purify our unwholesome political atmosphere, and render the Assembly really a useful and independent body as a whole, and not a weak submissive Council, strong only in strengthening an already too strong Executive; and acting chiefly in doing wrong.

Had the efforts of the Reformers to examine into the finances and departments of the colony been hearkened to by the Government shortly after the opening of the first session of this Assembly, the disgrace of three or four defalcations, which only tend to injure us abroad and at home, would in all probability have never occurred. Instead of waiting till 1862, to have the public accounts audited, they could have been audited early in 1860. If peculation had occurred, it would have consequently been detected at the start; and before it became so deeply seated in the constitution of the government party, as to render it doubly necessary to place a different man at the head of affairs than the one who purchased the Springs as a speculation. The country has had a surfeit from this fruitful source. It is sick, heartily sick of an administration so led; and as every step only gets worse and worse, it is high time to get rid of the primary cause of scandal after scandal, and sensation after sensation. Several constitutional modes could be adopted to effect this purpose. But the ordinary and usual one lying at the base of all the others, is the right vested in the electors to reject those who have incontestably proven themselves unfit for representatives by conduct—to put it mildly—such as we never before knew to occur in any country. To secure the exercise of the right, every qualified elector should be careful to register his vote in conformity with the requirements of the Registration Act, and keep a strict watch set to prevent any such juggling as passing off bonus voters.

Another reason why the electors should be prepared for the day of registration is the probability that the Government will try to administer a soothing draught to the town by incorporating it before the House is dissolved. As the first election for the town will be based on the list of voters qualified to return members to the Legislature, it constitutes a double reason why the town electors should not allow an opportunity to slip which if embraced would give them a voice in public affairs, and change the order of things that has become almost intolerable. Of one thing, however, the electors may be perfectly satisfied, that is, that a new election will take place in 1862; another thing is, that to vote at that election the votes have to be registered within the next three weeks.

Coughs, Bronchial Complaints, etc.—Rev. D. P. Livermore, editor of the Chicago *New Covenant*, says of Brown's Bronchial Troches: "We have frequently had occasion to test the efficacy of Brown's Bronchial Troches, and have invariabl found them to answer the purpose for which they are recommended. From our own personal experience and observation, we know them to be a superior remedy for colds, coughs and bronchial complaints."

Note.—We publish the above statement as reading matter, because we have confidence in the Troches, having tried them frequently, and always with success.—*Cincinnati Christian Herald*

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUCTION,

THIS DAY,

FRIDAY, Dec. 27th, 1861.

At 11 o'clock A. M.

AT HIS SALESROOM ON WHARF STREET, FOOT OF YATES STREET,

GROCERIES

TO CLOSE INVOICES:

10 cases Pie Fruits, 10 cases English Starch, 5 boxes English Soap, 9 kegs Irish Butter, 40 boxes Adamantine Candles, 1 cask Hams, 3 cases Bacon, 20 kegs Syrup, 20 bbls Molasses.

—ALSO—

Boots, Shoes, Clothing.

Heavy full-nailed Kip Brogans;
Heavy B'rded Brogans;
Cassimere and Satinet Pants;
Heavy Monkey Jackets;
White and Colored Shirts;
Perfumery, Fancy Goods, Etc., Etc.

—ALSO—

5 Gold Watches, guaranteed.

J. A. McCREA,
Auctioneer

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Dance-Houses Again!

After reading the insertion of the Rev. Dr. Evans in this paper, I feel myself bound to give a last answer in defence of myself and of the character of these houses. The Rev. Dr., as a clergyman is by no means to blame in trying his best to suppress all feelings in favor of them. He would be perfect y justified in writing and using his influence against the most decent balls or against any worldly amusement that might attribute to turn the minds of the people from piety. I however hope to be excused for stating that I do not clearly see the reason why he is only contesting against these dance-houses, and not, for instance, against drinking houses or against the very act of men keeping a clootchman Is it because, according to his statement, his residence is near one of them? I allow that a noisy neighborhood is not very desirable. In many a big town the inhabitants, no matter who they are, have nolens volens to submit to noise at night. Here, however, the evil can easily be remedied by a change of abode, or perhaps the Rev Dr. might succeed in having the cause of his disturbance removed to some other place, if he thinks it just. Certainly it would not be necessary "to leave he town of pestilence." Does not the fact show that yesterday, when no theatre nor dance-houses were open, more inebriate men were parading the streets than in preceding days? The excuse that it was a holiday can hardly be accepted, for there are many men in town now for whom at present every day is a holiday. Is dancing worse than to get beastly drunk? Then why should not the authorities be tried to have dance-houses, liquor-shops and theatre shut up all at the same time. If this attempt should be crowned by success, then indeed the town would become quiet. I can have nothing to say in favor of the savages or against their being ordered entirely out of town after dark (and not being a l ng time in town I did not know that th s measure had been taken before), but as long as they are in or near town their intercourse with the whites and whatever consequences this might have will be diminished by depriving them of a few places of rendezvous. Therefore, as long as they are here, I repeat that they are of no more nuisance in a dance-house than spread out all over town. The Rev. Dr. E. blames me for not having inspected those houses Of course nobody will dare to suppose that the Rev. Dr. E. himself had ventured even but for a moment into these "dens;" bu might he not have been wrongly informed? I myself have nothing to do with the gain of the sal ons, nor do I even care about dancing: but having been invited I went purposely to see what was going on, and my expression is that they are not what they are thought to be by the Rev Dr nor the writer of "I ta Mammoock" I am, however, only talking about their inside. What might be going on outside and after they are closed cannot be charged to them, and might be prevented by the police. It is true that many of their frequenters are blackguards and loafers; but there, too, are to be found the greater part of miners, and I dare say with "many miners" that only the fear of "exposure and a scene" is keeping away many other men, be their garb and occupation ever so high and honorable. The authors of other lines have with their volleys of caluminous assault overshot their intended mark. Epithets will not hurt the cause of the houses in question But for my part I side with "Many Miners," in aying that if it be the wish of the citizens to have them closed, let it be done. They have, however, been forewarned of the consequences in my article signed "Pro Bono Publico." If that article was not signed by my real name it was because I am a stranger here and my name would be of little consequence to the public.

JOHN H. ROSENBERG.

Victoria, December 26, 1861. de27 1t*

Moselwein! Moselwein!

Zwetschenwasser! Zwetchenwasser!

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JOSEPH LOEWEN,
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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
23d December, 186 .

THE DAYS UNDERMENTIONED will be kept as Holidays, during which the Public Offices will be closed, except for the transaction of indispensable current business:

FROM

Tuesday, December 24th, 1861,

TO

Thursday, January 2d, 1862.

By command of His Excellency the Governor.

de24 td WILLIAM A G. YOUNG.

A WORD TO THE AGED—In the decline of life the loss of vital force consequent upon physical decay, can only be safely supplied by some vivifying preparation which recruits the strength and spirits, without entailing the exhaustion which is always the final effect of ordinary stimulants. We tender to the aged

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As an invigorant and restorative, immediate in its beneficial action and permanent in its effect It tones the stomach, improves the appetite, and acts like a charm upon the spirits. For dyspepsia, oppression after eating, bilious cholic, wind cholic, spasm of the stomach, sick or nervous head-ache, chills and fever, tremens, prostration, and all the complaints special to the feebler sex, the Bitters are earnestly recommended by thousands who have witnessed their superior efficacy in such cases. Sold by all Druggists and dealers everywhere. de10 1m

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ON ACCOUNT OF ILL HEALTH, IN one of the best established Hotel and Boarding Houses in town, or would dispose of the same on moderate terms.
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HAS RECEIVED BY THE ABOVE vessel a few packages of Fine Old

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To those desirous of obtaining a bottle of Pure Liquor, either for themselves or for a Christmas Present to their friends, I will merely say, call and judge for yourself To my friends and patrons, individually and collectively, I wish you all

A Merry Christmas

AND A

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And permit me to return to you my thanks for your very liberal patronage during the last

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By strict attention to business, and keeping constantly on hand Good Wines and Liquors, I trust you will favor me with a continuance of your patronage. My patrons and strangers are particularly notified that strict order is quietly enforced, and that no extra inducement is set out for spongers.

Christmas Day and New Year's Day,

The usual number of

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Together with several gallons of

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Victoria, V. I., December 21, 1861. de24 1m

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AT THE

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Invites all his friends to visit and take

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With him on

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All fond of a glass of GOOD LIQUOR must be sure and call; and those whose Dashaway principles preclude them from joining in the festivities of the season must not forget to roll a "string or two," on the Bowling Alley.

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THE SECOND

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Will be held at the

COURT HOUSE, JAMES BAY,

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By permission of His Excellency the Governor,

ON ST. JOHN'S DAY,

The 27th of December.

TICKETS to admit a gentleman and two ladies, **$10.**

Tickets can be obtained of the following gentlemen. J J Southgate, Esq. R Burnaby, Esq. George Pearkes, Esq, K Gambitz, Esq. M T Drake, Esq. and M Sporborg, Esq

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THE BRITISH COLONIST

Friday Morning, Dec 27, 1861.

The Treasury Defalcation---Examination in the Police Court.

The examination into the charge of embezzlement preferred against Capt. George T. Gordon, late Treasurer of this Colony, commenced yesterday afternoon, at one o'clock, in the Police Court, before the Stipendiary Magistrate, Mr. Pemberton. The prisoner—who had been kept in close confinement in a cell since Tuesday evening—appeared careworn and somewhat nervous. Messrs. Ring, McCreight and Pearkes, appeared as his counsel, and Mr. Attorney General Cary for the prosecution. The court room was densely packed, and the spectators watched the proceedings with apparent unflagging interest from beginning to end. The first witness called was the Auditor.

AUDITOR'S EVIDENCE.

Robt Ker, sworn—Am Auditor of Public Accounts [information of witness, taken Dec. 23d, alleging that the Treasurer had appropriated to his own use, during the past three months, the sum of £140 or thereabouts, belonging to Her Majesty, was read and sworn to as correct. Paper handed witness.]

To the Attorney General—The paper I hold in my hand is a receipt, in the handwriting of G. T. Gordon, to Joseph Bros., for £84 17s. 10d., paid on the 5th day of November, on account of the One Per Cent. Assessment, and £53 1s. 11d. for Street Tax; in my official capacity I am acquainted with the Treasury books; [cash book produced] the handwriting in the cash book shown me is the Treasurer's; it is not the original cash book; the last week's entries are in Mr. Gordon's handwriting, and the entries are kept in duplicate; on the 5th of November the entries are in Mr Campbell's; from the 4th November up to conclusion of the entries I find no entries corresponding with the receipt.

At the request of Mr. Ring, the remaining witnesses were ordered by the Court to leave the room.

Witness, continuing—The last entry in the book is one of payment to the Surveyor General of £500 on the 22d of December; it is entered as paid on an advance warrant. [Paper handed witness.] This is a receipt to B. W. Pearse for £25 1s. 10d., paid into the Treasury on account of the Street Fund; it is signed by G. T. Gordon as Treasurer, but does not appear on the books. [Another paper produced.] This is a receipt, signed by G. T. Gordon as Treasurer, for £47 16s. 6d. to him paid by Mr. Magistrate Pemberton; there are no entries on the books for any of these amounts, I have carefully examined the books; have free access to the books and possess full information as to the manner in which they are kept; in the cash book appears, "Dec. 22, No. 47, Surveyor General, advance warrant, £500;" 47 is the number of advance warrants issued by the Governor to the Surveyor General; they are numbered consecutively, and this is the authority on which the money is paid; it is an authority issued under the hand of the Governor to the heads of departments to allow them to draw the sum of money it bears on its face during the current month; on these books there is evidence of an advance warrant paid by the Treasurer on the 29th of February of the present year, for £100; there are no other entries payable to the advance warrants of the Treasurer, but there is one on February 5th, to pay to the Acting Colonial Commissary £250; the Treasurer was Acting Colonial Commissary, and was therefore responsible for the amount paid on that advance warrant; there are no books at the Treasury except the cash book on which payments will appear. The receipt for money received from Joseph Bros. ought to appear on a small book; there are one or two exceptions—in the case of the Governor or the Hudson Bay Company, who paid very large sums of money—that the entries were not made in the small book. If they did not appear in the small book, they should be seen in the cash book, or else they would not be accounted for. The last balance that seems to be struck bears date 30th November, and reads, "Counted cash and found same correct, amount carried forward, £4,143;" but the figure 4 in the tens seems to have been altered from a 6; the entry is signed, "G. T. Gordon, Treasurer; H. B. Campbell, Secretary;" if the entry of £140 received from Joseph Bros. was made, the balance could not have been correct; Mr. Gordon did not account for any such sum as coming into his hands; the alteration of 6 to 4, was incorrect, the balance should have read, £4,163, as originally; I spoke to the Treasurer about it, and he did not dispute it, and it was altered. If the account was properly kept, the cash on hand would have been £20 over.

Cross-examined for the defence, by Mr. Ring—There is no fixed rule at the Treasury as to the number of books to be used; it was the Treasurer's duty to enter in this small book; it is the only book in which One Per Cent. Tax Act entries should be made. There are Trades' License and Harbor Dues' Books; I have the right to dictate to the Treasurer what books he shall keep according to established rules; I have written instructions how to proceed; there are such things as continuous warrants—in name but not in fact.

To Mr. McCreight—The two sums paid by Joseph Bros. were not entered in the cash book during November. [Cash account for Dec. handed witness, who read an entry made on the 14th Dec. to the effect that on that date £81 17s. 10d. was received on account of the One Per Cent. Assessment Roll, and £53 1s. 11d., on account of Victoria Street Tax.] The only difference in this entry from the receipt given Joseph Bros. on the 5th of November is that the first amount is £3 less than the amount for which the receipt was furnished; the entry struck me as being similar to the one of which I complained, but the date was over a month later and no names appeared; the date of the receipt was the 5th of Nov.; it is not an unfrequent occurrence in keeping accounts that a figure 1 is mistaken for a 4.

Mr. McCreight—In short, the amount of Capt. Gordon's offence, so far as these two sums are concerned, is in entering them on the 14th of Dec., and in setting down a figure 1 instead of a 4?

Witness—If they had been entered as coming from Joseph Brothers, I should have had no complaint to make; if there were no other discoveries, I should have gone to Capt. Gordon and asked him for an explanation; this is not the most important discovery by any means; I have made some 149 discoveries during the past two months; in two instances, the Treasurer has entered more than he received, and in some cases names are down as having paid money into the Treasury twice; this was where there was litigation pending; I swore my information on the 23rd of December. Mr. Gordon debited himself twice with one payment made by the Attorney-General; I do not know who kept the keys of the Treasury; I do not know of any person having access to it during Gordon's absence; The Treasurer's clerk and myself had access to the books; there is an entry of Backus having paid twice.

Mr. McCreight—I suppose any of the gentlemen at the head of departments here, not being conversant with business, make occasional errors in their accounts?

Witness—That is a fact.

To the Attorney General—The amount of £140 is receipted for on the 5th of November; in the balance stated by Mr. Gordon on the 30th of November, he omits from the book the £140 and balances cash; the amount set down on the 14th of December does not tally with the amount paid by Joseph Pros., when he balanced cash on the 30th of November the £140 could not have been taken into consideration.

To the Court—In the small book there is no entry corresponding with the £140.

To Mr. McCreight—I do not know that the amount mentioned in the receipt as having been paid by Pearse, was never paid to Gordon; there was a conversation about it in my office between the Treasurer, the Surveyor General and myself; I pointed out to the Treasurer that the amount was not entered on the cash book, and he at once said Pearse had never paid him the amount; I do not remember that he stated the reason why it was not paid, but he said, "I'll father that." This conversation took place before the last discoveries were made, I have had conversations with the Governor about Gordon's assessment account, and think I did not say they were in a good state, I said there were mistakes, and thought the amount the Treasurer had debited himself with would about balance what was wrong.

THE SURVEYOR GENERAL'S EVIDENCE.

J. Despard Pemberton, sworn—Am Surveyor General of the Colony; remember the 22d of Dec. last; a thousand dollars were paid me on that day by the Treasurer on an advance warrant of £500; after the payment of the $1000, he came to me at the Colonial Hotel and had a conversation; but it was a private one, and I do not think the Court will call on me to state it.

Attorney General—The Court will compel you to answer.

Mr. Ring—Tut, tut! It may be connected with a love affair—who knows? [Great laughter.]

Attorney General—Was it connected with the £500 advance warrant?

Mr Ring objected, but the Court overruled the objection.

Witness—It was connected with the £500. The substance of the conversation was to gain time to pay the balance of the £500; I was asked to say that I had received it all, when I had only received £203 10s. It was about 3 o'clock in the afternoon when we had the conversation. As well as I understood him, he wished to gain time to collect money in town to make his statement correct.

A cross-examination for the defence elicited nothing of importance.

To the Attorney General—It was between 11 and 12 o'clock when I received the £203 10s. If I had paid any money into the Treasury from land sales it could have had no connection with the application made to me by Gordon; I was to say, as I understood him, that I had received the balance of £500 long enough to give him time to collect the money and pay it into the Treasury. He asked me rather to assume that it had been paid; he was confused. I declined to say as he wished; I said it was impossible; it would have been equivalent to lending him £300.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY'S EVIDENCE.

Wm A. G. Young, sworn—Am Colonial Secretary; I was in the Treasury on the 23d December, with the Governor and the Treasurer. An examination of the accounts and a counting of cash on hand took place; I saw the cash book there, and saw that the last entry therein is £500 paid to the Surveyor General. The account was made up, inclusive of the £500, in Gordon's presence, by Mr. Ker. The balance on the books was 4,075*l*. 7s 7d., which corresponded with the cash on hand with the exception of 1*l*. 2s. 6d., which was subsequently made up by the Treasurer in three-penny pieces; the state of the cash corresponded with the books, but it was not satisfactory, and at that time the 500*l*. was taken into consideration as having been paid to the Surveyor General; if but 203*l*. were paid to the Surveyor General, of course there was a deficit of 297*l*.; this was about 1 o'clock. Gordon was called on to produce the balance remaining in his hands from an advance warrant issued to him as Acting Colonial Commissary; he admitted that the balance of this advance warrant was in his hands; the balance amounted to nearly 250*l*., and was not to be found in the Treasury; he was ordered by the Governor to produce the amount, and he said it was in his house. The Governor told him to proceed at once to his house and get it, and he started ostensibly with that object in view; I waited two hours and he did not return; I have never seen the balance; it was nearly two o'clock when he left the Treasury; he admitted to me that he had the whole sum in cash at home.

Counsel for defence declined putting any questions to this witness, and the Attorney General announced that the case for the prosecution had closed.

In reply to a question from Mr. Ring, the Magistrate said there was sufficient evidence to send the prisoner for trial to the Assizes, and counsel for defence declined making any remarks.

Mr. Ring asked that his client be admitted to bail. The Attorney General opposed the application, and the Magistrate decided not to take bail for the prisoner's appearance; but subsequently, at the urgent solicitation of Mr. Ring, agreed to take the matter into consideration until to-day.

CAMPBELL'S CASE.

The case of H. B. Campbell, arrested on suspicion of being concerned with the Treasurer in the embezzlement of the public funds, was postponed for one week, and in the meantime bail in his case was fixed at 1,000*l*.

MURDER OF AN INDIAN.—On Christmas night, at seven o'clock, a white man—name at present unknown—while at the Hydah encampment, had a difficulty with an Indian, and after the passage of a few words, drew a revolver and shot him through the heart. Death ensued instantaneously, and the murderer made his escape. The Indian was of remarkably steady habits and had been in the employ of Rev. Dr. Evans for a long time. Dr. Dickson last evening summoned a jury to hold an inquest over the body, and, without hearing any evidence, adjourned till this morning, at 9½ o'clock.

DRUNKS.—Three Christmas drunkards hauled in by the police, yesterday paid the usual fine in the Police Court.

FUNERAL OF HON. JOHN WORK.—The funeral of the late Hon. John Work took place yesterday morning from the Fort Yard, and was very numerously attended. His Excellency Governor Douglas and suite, Chief Justice Cameron, members of the Legislative Council, the Speaker and members of the House of Assembly, the Chief Factor of the Hudson Bay Company, several naval officers, the heads of the various departments of government, many citizens, and several of Mr. Work's farm hands, by whom he was greatly beloved, joined in showing respect to the many virtues and good qualities of the deceased gentleman. The sons and sons-in-law of deceased followed as chief mourners, and several of his earliest friends on this coast acted as pall-bearers. The remains were conveyed to the Church Reserve Cemetery. The Church of England burial service was read by the Rev. Mr. Dundas, of St. John's Church, and the body lowered to its last resting place.

NANAIMO.—We have a letter from "J. M." under date of 23d inst. The schooner Carolena is on the rocks at Protection Point, near Nanaimo. She arrived there from Victoria on the 20th, took in a cargo of coal on the same evening, and started for Victoria with several passengers, but went ashore at the Point named. It appears from the report of the passengers that Capt. Jones gave the helm in charge to one of the crew, who instead of keeping the course he was ordered, took quite a contrary one. Capt. Jones sent ashore for assistance, and many of the miners answered the call. They found the schooner in a perilous situation, but could render but little assistance until the following evening, when they contrived to get the vessel slung in chains; but one of the chains gave way and down she went again. The whole of the 22d was passed in endeavors to place her in chains again. It was thought their efforts would prove successful. The bark Gold-hunter arrived up on the 23d, and the Anna G. Barnard on the 22d. The Huntsville has finished loading at Newcastle. Thomas Funsell, a coal miner, was slightly burned in one of the pits, on Friday last, by the premature explosion of a blast.

SHOOTING AT INDIANS.—On Christmas night, a party of jolly coves on a bender, quarreled with two Indians in the employ of Wm. P. McDonald, Esq., M. P. P. One of the crowd fired a shot from a revolver at the natives, which struck the piazza of Mr. McD's house, and narrowly missed passing through a window into the parlor. About half an hour afterwards, the same scamps fired two shots through the windows of Mr. McDonald's barn, whither the Indians had gone for protection, and came within an ace of killing both of them. Warrants were issued for the apprehension of the murderously-inclined fellows.

NO GO.—Bills for a performance at the theatre were issued on Christmas day; but Mr. Pemberton sent a message to the manager that if he ventured to play he would render himself liable to pay a fine of £50, and the house therefore remained closed. The English law expressly prohibits amusements on Christmas day.

CHRISTMAS DAY.—Passed off quietly, considering the amount of bad whisky that must have been gulped down by the devotees of Bacchus. Late in the evening several very interesting bouts of fisticuffs came off on Yates and Government streets, but no great harm was done.

MASONIC BALL.—The Masonic Ball will come off to-morrow evening at the Court House. The committee have completed arrangements to make it the finest affair of the season. A number of ladies and gentlemen are expected to arrive from the Sound to-day to attend the ball.

STEALING A RING.—A Hydah squaw, arrested on a charge of stealing a valuable ring from a Cariboo miner known as "Dick," was discharged, the complainant being *non est* when his name was called in the Police Court.

☞ The Pruth robbers will be examined in the Police Court this morning.

☞ The steamer Otter will leave for Fraser River at 7 o'clock this morning.

☞ The Enterprise and the Brother Jonathan are due this morning with later news.

☞ See Mr. McCrea's advertisement of auction this morning, at 11 o'clock.

The Coast Route.

FORT ALEXANDER, Nov. 20th, 1861.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—From papers received here, it would appear that a number of the inhabitants of the lower part of British Columbia have formed themselves into a body for the purpose of sending to the Home Government a protest against the unsatisfactory conduct of His Excellency Gov. Douglas, in not having had the best roads to the gold regions sufficiently explored, thus allowing the means of capitalists to suffer from bad investments. In plain English, these capitalists have speculated badly—very badly. They rushed to Victoria, and bought town lots wherever they could get them, and at any price. So far they might have done worse. Victoria holds a good geographical position, and is likely always to be a town of some importance; but no sooner is it decided that New Westminster shall be the seat of Government of British Columbia, than off they go to buy there, although even at that time it was well known that a coast route to the mines probably existed, and only required to be found; and it was distinctly understood that the seat of Government might be removed to any place of which the local advantages rendered it more suitable for that purpose. Yet these infatuated individuals, with heads on their shoulders and money at their disposal, eagerly invested in a hill—a hill of dangerous declivity—an excellent military position—capable of being made even picturesque by means of gardens, terraces, barracks and fountains, duly arranged with special care to "harmonic angles," utterly impracticable in a commercial point of view. More; with a sublime credulity worthy of a happier fate, they persisted in living in this place, clinging with all the tenacity of despair to the miserable hope that the highly praiseworthy but equally futile efforts of Col. Moody and his staff of "fine old English gentlemen" (most of them well "up" in the definition of an asymptote or catenary, verdant—may one not almost say *green*)—superlatively verdant in all relating to the selection of a town site on the banks of Fraser—pine trees form a minority at Woolwich—would succeed in *creating* a respectable seat of Government out of this unpromising spot. At last the gold fields recede more and more from this beloved "highland home;" the certainty of a route from Bella Whoolla to Alexandria is proven; and even *they* begin to see that they have been the dupes of their own credulity.

Then, angry and shorn, they vent their disappointment upon the Governor, it is to be presumed, for not bringing the mines nearer New Westminster. Mr. Editor—dosen't this remind you of your nursery days, when having struck your youthful shins against—say the bed-post—nurse would endeavor to stifle your vigorous young cries by the comforting advice to "hit the naughty bed-post for hurting Freddy's leg? But even at that tender age, your juvenile wonder would have been aroused to discover wherein consisted the logic, had she recommended you to hit the naughty Lord Mayor of London, or the Metropolitan Board of Works, or Colonel Sibthorp; yet this is precisely the line of argument adopted by the gentlemen in question; they make a foolish speculation, and then turn upon the Government. But here again they show their want of judgment, for has not the Government materially assisted to uphold their falling property? What could injure them more than a good road being made from Bella Whoolla to Alexandria. Suppose (of course this is only supposition) the Governor had thought the interests of the 1800 miners in this vicinity, who have this year paid the Government about $25,000, worth some consideration; and suppose again (still only a wild imagining) that he had employed a fifth part of this amount (received in direct taxation only) in making this road from the sea. Suppose once more, that after Major Downie had arrived very hungry and very frightened near Rabires, some two years ago, the Governor had done something else towards a route. Where would the New Westminster Town Lots have been then? Should not these ungrateful property-holders cease their upbraidings and be still, when they reflect that for them the poor coast route is on the point of becoming the victim of cruel infanticide by neglect? The Government have given permission to make a road and charge a toll, thus shifting the responsibility from its own shoulders to those of the public generally. Is not this the most effective way of smothering the poor little thing? What capitalist is willing to risk his money on a road of which the Government reserve to themselves the right of specifying the rate of toll? Will the miners take it in hand? Does not any one who has seen British Columbia miners as a body know them to be "a fortuitous converse of atoms," enterprising in the search of gold; much given to excitement; very fond of speeches; very fond of promises; not at all fond of doing? Who is then to make the road? Probably nobody for two or three years to come. Fortunately miners on foot can use it as it exists, and probably next season a large proportion of them will come that way, and even packed horses might come through; but ought not the property-holders below to see cause for gratitude to the Government that there is a great fear the main traffic may be deterred from this route for some time to come? Of course they ought; yet after all the sacrifice on the part of the Government is equally a matter of course. Why should the Governor study the interests of the 1800 miners in the upper country? Because they constitute by far the most important part of the Colony? Oh no, they're so far off that the Governor can't go to them, although he's tried twice. They can't frighten him with letters in the papers or speeches at public meetings; he can neither see nor hear them. Now the people of the lower country he can both see and (yes, by Jupiter tonans!) *hear*. They must be of primary importance. Because they have this year given some £5000 in direct taxation, and probably three times that amount indirectly? Consult them on that ground? Preposterous. They gave the £5000 *quite quickly*. Not a single public meeting to complain. Not a single allusion to the "star-spangled banner" or General Jackson. Consult their interests on that account indeed! Why one magistrate and two or three constables collected the whole of it. Because its very important to them that provisions may be cheaper, so that next year there may not be 400 unsuccessful "prospectors" dead broken? Hardly. All the provisions which can be conveyed to the mines *via* Lillooet and Lytton, sell at once and at excellent prices. Because its reasonable that those who do most to support a Government should receive some consideration from it? Now that's no argument. Doesn't any one of average perception see, that the 1800 miners at the Cariboo can't help themselves. They've got to find the gold and must stay on the spot and buy bread at its weight in gold, and pay taxes to maintain the Lillooet, Lytton routes, and give everything, and get nothing. Of course. Consideration to men who can't help themseves? Pshaw! Then why should the Governor trouble himself about them?

The dissatisfied property holders before alluded to, wish to know what place will be the principal town of British Columbia. Well, one may almost safely say that Alexandria must eventually become the principal interior town of British Columbia, if not the seat of Government, although at present the town consists of four dismantled houses, and a solitary Indian by way of inhabitants. *There are many reasons why.* It is the only spot on the river where a town could be placed. Roads branch from it in every direction, both to the gold fields and the farming districts. From it steamers could run up the river far towards Fort George, in the event of the mines extending more in that direction, while from any point below the river is not navigable. For this reason the coast route must fall in at Fort Alexandria, or above it. The latter is unlikely from the difficulties of the country, but to Fort Alexandria the road is almost available at the present moment. The Bella Whoolla River is navigable for steamboats of light draught, as far as Nootleach, whence Messrs. McKenzie and Cain brought packed horses to Alexandria, a short time ago. Many residing in the upper country are fully sensible of the importance which will eventually invest Alexandria, but it is not easy to center capital in a city without an inhabitant, and the discontented property holders below should endeavor to receive the idea that sometimes the spots most suitable for the investment of capital depend upon circumstances, not the Governor.

I have the honor to remain,
Sir, Your obdt. Servant,
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